[28th January 1931

Depressed Classes

Moir Hostel for Adi-Dravida boys at Chidambaram.

* 171 Q.—Swami A. S. SAHAJANANDAM: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the Moir Hostel for Adi-Dravida boys attached to the Nandanar School at Chidambaram was founded and what is the progress made in its strength;

(*b*) whether the annual audit reports made by the Local Fund Examiner of Accounts are found satisfactory;

(*c*) whether the reports made by the Labour Commissioner about its management are found to be satisfactory;

(*d*) whether it is supplying the real and pressing need of poor and destitute Adi-Dravida boys unable to attend school for want of feeding in their houses;

(*e*) whether any, and if so, how many applications for admission into the hostel were rejected for want of accommodation;

(*f*) whether it is a fact that funds are being raised and spent by the Nandanar Kalvikazhagam towards the maintenance of the hostel besides the grant made by the Government; and

(*g*) whether the acquisition of the Nandanar school site is completed; if not, how long it will take for the Government to acquire the site now selected?

A.—(*a*), (*e*) & (*f*) The Government have no definite information.

(*b*) In his Audit Report for 1928–29, the Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, stated that the accounts of the institute did not call for any comment.

(*c*) No special reports are made by the Labour Commissioner.

(*d*) The Government indicate their opinion of the usefulness of the hostel by making a grant to it.

(*g*) No. The notification for the acquisition of the site was published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 6th January 1931, and acquisition proceedings will now be taken.

Mr. M. DEVADASAN:—"In view of the fact that something like 300 applications for admission appear to have been rejected for want of accommodation, will the Government be pleased to call for the information asked for in clauses (*a*), (*e*) and (*f*)?"

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"That is a suggestion for action and not a supplementary question."

Medical Registration Act

Removal of the names of certain medical practitioners from the Medical Register.

* 172 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state whether any appeals and if so, how many have been received by the Government from medical practitioners who have been removed from the Medical Register on the ground that they were in some way co-operating with the practitioners of Indian Systems of Medicine?

A.—One appeal was received in 1915.